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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

At the outset, the courtesies extended by the Examiner in granting the 18 December 2007 interview are appreciatively noted. At the interview, the references cited by the Examiner in the 7 May 2007 Office Action were discussed in light of the earlier filed Amendment, and the further clarifying amendments proposed to the Claims by the undersigned Attorney, as set forth herein.

Responsive to the discussions had at the interview, independent Claim 1 is further amended to clarify its recitations. As amended, Claim 1 clarifies that Applicant's MP3 personal storage device in accordance with certain aspects of the present invention cooperates "automatically" with the blue tooth equipped cellular phone to serve much as a local surrogate therefor. Claim 1 clarifies in this regard that "the MP3 personal storage device" is thereby "operable to establish duplex communication with the blue tooth equipped cellular phone." This enables the device to "provide the voice communication capability of the blue tooth equipped cellular phone responsive to user selection of the incoming call" displayed on the device, though the cellular phone itself may be "remotely disposed therefrom," and not within the user's immediate reach, as Claim 1 further clarifies.

It is respectfully submitted that the cited Schearer, et al., Ng, et al., and Luman, et al. references, even when considered together, fail to disclose the full combination of these and other features now more clearly recited in the pending Claims. As alluded to in the earlier Amendment, Schearer, et al. discloses an approach where manual intervention is necessarily required of the user, for

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example to insert a cassette into his/her automobile's cassette deck, in response to a cellular phone itself indicating an incoming call. Ng., et al., discloses effectively a wireless docking station for MP3 players, so that loudspeaker reproduction may be given to that music played by the MP3 player. Luman, et al. generally contemplates sharing of certain resources among wirelessly networked devices, but fails to disclose an MP3 personal storage device which serves, among other things, to provide locally for a remotely disposed cellular phone the voice communication capability of that phone, when selected to do so by the user.

It is believed, therefore, that the subject Patent Application is now in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

No fees are believed due with this filing. If, however, there are any charges associated with this filing, the Honorable Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account #18-2011 for such charges.

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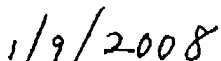
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